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### Local Brevities.

Barclay J. Lervick, a native of Norway, yesterday declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States.

The German ship Emilie arrived in port yesterday from Antwerp via Port Los Angeles. She brings a part cargo of pig iron, marble, cement, coke, liquors, etc.

The county clerk of Multnomah county has issued a marriage license to Frank T. Warriner of Clatsop county and Emmalyn Alice Bunker of Multnomah county.

Marriage licenses were issued yesterday by County Clerk Clinton to George A. Hartman, Jr., and Miss Alice Gray, Frank Smith and Miss Hilda Dale and L. H. Yoder and Frances Clayton.

Robert Korte of the well-known jewelry firm of Korte & Niemala, at 435 Commercial street, has purchased the interest of Mr. Niemala and will continue the business under his own name.

A new boiler has been sent to Astoria for the steamer W. H. Harrison of the Elmore line. The old boiler will be replaced today and the steamer fitted out for service between Astoria and Oregon coast points.

The schooner Andy Mahony cleared yesterday for San Pedro with 750,000 feet of lumber. The schooner William Renton cleared during the day for San Francisco with 550,000 feet of lumber from the Hume mill. The steamer Redondo, departing for San Pedro, took a cargo of ties.

The time of the circuit court yesterday was occupied with consideration of the injunction suit of Jacob Kamm against Normand Bros. The plaintiff's evidence was all presented during the day and the defense began its case. The hearing was not concluded when court adjourned for the day.

The Commercial Club and Warrenton baseball teams are to try conclusions at A. F. C. park on Sunday. The west side aggregation has been itching for another chance at the clubmen ever since the latter defeated Warrenton's players some weeks ago, and an exciting contest is looked for. McDermott will do the pitching for the Warrenton nine. When the Cathlamet team

played at Warrenton, on the Fourth, McDermott struck out 22 men—a record seldom equaled.

The county court convened yesterday in regular monthly session. The time of the session was taken up with consideration of claims. The session will be continued today. Commissioner Larson yesterday sat to the left of Judge Trenchard, in the seat so long held down by former Commissioner Andrew Young.

The order of Eagles, through Joseph Gribler, chairman of the parade committee, has filed a protest with the Fourth of July committee affecting the award of the fraternal organization prizes at the recent celebration. The Eagles believe they are entitled to one of the prizes. The protest has been referred to the awards committee.

W. G. Reilly was yesterday fined \$50 by Justice Goodman for malicious destruction of property. Reilly and another man became engaged in a scuffle, during which Reilly went through a window in a Bond street second-hand store. As nearly as could be ascertained, the damage was due purely to accident. In default of the amount of the fine Reilly was sent to jail for 25 days. He is the only prisoner in the county jail.

Chairman Hansen of the public property committee of the council yesterday wired Architect Schacht asking him to be present at the special council meeting tomorrow night and submit the plans for the new city hall. Members of the council are anxious to get the building under way as soon as possible, so a good start can be made before the wet weather sets in. It was expected Mr. Schacht would be at Tuesday night's meeting of the council, but he failed to put in an appearance.

Last night's wrestling bout between Strangler Smith and Drews was one of the most exciting events of the kind ever witnessed on the coast. Drews conquered his opponent after a notable struggle. The bout took place at the Commercial Club gymnasium, and, as the event had been poorly advertised, the crowd was a small one. Drews got the first fall, Smith the second, Drews the third, Smith the fourth and Drews the final fall. The fourth fall was gained after 47 minutes. The deciding fall was accomplished by means of a half-Nelson hold after 16 minutes' wrestling. The men

did not give an exhibition, but went at each other with vim. After the contest Smith challenged Drews for another bout, and it is probable the match will take place here within a short time. All those who saw the match last night were highly pleased.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Nowlen was held yesterday afternoon from the Methodist church. The services were conducted by Rev. W. S. Grimm, and the interment was in Greenwood.

George Mortimer Goodale, son of Captain Goodale, constructing quartermaster, U. S. A., of Astoria, and Miss Katherine Hays Mason, daughter of John Mason of Sausalito, Cal., were married at the home of the bride's parents on June 29. Mr. and Mrs. Goodale are to reside at Benson, Ariz., where Mr. Goodale has accepted a position of responsibility.

The chemical engine has been moved to its new location at the foot of Tenth street. The council has thus far failed to make provision for the gong whistle which Chief Stockton desires to install in lieu of the big fire bell. A requisition for the whistle was sent in to the council at Tuesday night's meeting, but the council held it up pending a written agreement that the Astoria Electric Company would make no charge for operating the whistle. Manager Coolidge has signified his willingness to operate the whistle without charge to the city, but the council wants an agreement to that effect. The matter was referred to the committee on fire and water, the members of which will consult Manager Coolidge. The delay is due purely to the formality necessary, and not because of any doubt that the company might fail to make good its promise.

The residence of Mrs. J. H. D. Gray was the scene of a very pretty wedding yesterday afternoon, when her daughter, Miss Mary Alice Gray, was married to Mr. George Arthur Hartman of Pendleton. The wedding ceremony was solemnized by Rev. William Seymour Short at 3 o'clock in the presence of the near relatives and a few intimate friends of the contracting parties. The bride was gowned in a beautiful cream colored white crepe over silk dress, and looked very stately as she marched through the daisy chain formed by the Misses Eva Froome, May Morgan, Ann Blesen, Elizabeth Milne and Sallie and Louise Gray. The wedding march was played by Miss Jessie Hartman, sister of the groom, and the bride was given away by her brother, Harry D. Gray. The ceremony was performed in an archway made of smilax, white roses and tulle, and the bridal couple received the blessing kneeling on embroidered cushions. The dining-room was artistically decorated in smilax, white roses and huckleberry vines, while green shaded candles formed the illuminations. Many beautiful wedding gifts were received, and Mr. and Mrs. Hartman departed on the evening train for their new home in Pendleton. Among the guests from out of the city were Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Hartman, father and mother of the groom; Miss Jessie Hartman and Percy Sturgis, from Pendleton, and Mrs. J. C. Bell, Mrs. Captain Davis, Robert Davis, Jr., and Mrs. D. J. Zan of Portland.

The suit now being heard before Judge McBride, which involves the question as to whether or not the north fork of the Clatskanie is a navigable stream is one of the most important actions ever heard in this county. The defendants in the action, Normand Bros., represent extensive logging interests. Tributary to the north fork of the stream, according to an Astoria capitalist who is largely interested in that section, is timber to the amount of approximately 500,000,000 feet. This vast tract of timber is worth \$7 per thousand feet in logs, and the total value of the tract is \$35,000,000. Much of it must come out by way of the stream over which the action has been brought, Jacob Kamm seeking to have the court enjoin the loggers from using the stream. A few days ago Judge McBride visited the stream and personally examined it. Because of the vast interests involved, the case is attracting much interest. One of the gentlemen interested in the timber there said yesterday that his company had made every effort to arrange with Mr. Kamm for the right to float down the logs, but that the Portlander had declined every proposal made to him. The company offered to pay him \$500 yearly for the privilege of floating the logs through his property, and agreed also to keep the banks of the stream in good repair, but Mr. Kamm would not do business on this basis, and the loggers determined to undertake the legal battle, to avoid which they made the proposition above stated. Many witnesses are being examined and the case is closely followed.

### HE UNEARTHED A MASTADON

Mayor Surprenant's Singular Discovery in the Klondike.

The discovery in the Klondike of a large mastodon recalls that Mayor Surprenant of this city also unearthed a prehistoric monster in the gold fields of the north. Mayor Surprenant had rather an extended experience in the Klondike, and the mastodon which he discovered was pronounced to be one of the most perfect specimens ever found.

After a residence of some months in the Klondike, Mr. Surprenant determined to open a mine on Bonanza creek. He had a force of six men at work, and before they had dug very far they came across the skeleton of the monster. Realizing its great value to naturalists, Mr. Surprenant urged the men to be careful, and the immense remains of the mastodon were unearthed.

In every respect the specimen was a fine one, the tusks and teeth being in a state of perfect preservation. The tusks were 15 feet in length, and the jaws measured 4 feet 6 inches across. Some idea of the size of the mastodon can be gained from the statement that one of its teeth measured 3 1/4 inches in breadth, 8 1/2 inches in length and 9 1/2 inches in depth. This tooth the mayor carried to Dawson and gave to a friend, who promised to send it to the Smithsonian Institute at Washington city.

"Because of the great size of the skeleton we were unable to hoist it from the earth," related Mayor Surprenant, in telling the story yesterday. "It is indeed lamentable that the frame of the beast could not have been secured by scientists, for it was truly a remarkable specimen."

The fact that mastodons have been found in the frozen regions of the far north, when such animals are known to have inhabited tropical portions of the earth, has led scientists to believe that the present frozen portions of the earth were once the tropics. While in the Klondike Mayor Surprenant demonstrated this theory to his own satisfaction. He dug far down into the earth and secured dirt which had not been affected by the extreme cold, and in which the "seed" had not been destroyed. He then undertook to grow tropical plants. His first experiment proved unsuccessful, but the second time he succeeded in growing flowers that could have sprung only from tropical earth.

Not long since another mastodon was discovered in the Klondike, and the finders were trying to keep it intact and send it to Washington. Whether or not they succeeded in doing so has not been learned.

### PERSONAL MENTION.

Frank M. Warren, the Portland packer, was in the city yesterday.

W. S. Martin, a well-known traveling man, is in the city.

Colonel Tucker, paymaster, U. S. A., came down yesterday to pay off the soldiers at the Columbia forts.

Joseph Gribler leaves this morning for Portland to be present at the Eagle day exercises. He will then go to Lakeview, Ore., to institute a new lodge of Eagles. The trip will require about two weeks.

O. C. Merrick, who is connected with the Portland office of the Associated Press, came down yesterday and went over to the forts at the mouth of the river with Colonel Tucker. Mr. Merrick prepares the telegraphic report which readers of The Astorian enjoy every morning. He will return to the metropolis on the early train today.

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